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Iowa Milk Production Unchanged from Last Year

Iowa: Milk production in Iowa in January 2008 totaled 363 million pounds, unchanged from January 2007. The average number of milk cows, 216,000 head, was 6,000 head higher than January 2007. Production per cow averaged 1,680 pounds, down 50 pounds from last year.

United States: Milk production in the 23 major States during January totaled 14.6 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from January 2007. December production, unrevised at 14.4 billion

pounds, was up 2.8 percent from December 2006.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,743 pounds for January, 17 pounds above January 2007.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.40 million head, 120,000 head more than January 2007, and 15,000 head more than December 2007.

Milk Cows and Production: By Selected States, January 2007-2008

State	Milk Cows 1		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	Change from 2007
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Pounds	Pounds	Million Pounds	Million Pounds	Percent
AZ	175	185	2,030	2,020	355	374	5.4
CA	1,792	1,837	1,880	1,900	3,369	3,490	3.6
CO	115	120	1,855	1,940	213	233	9.4
FL	130	124	1,470	1,450	191	180	-5.8
ID	502	533	1,850	1,870	929	997	7.3
IL	103	103	1,645	1,615	169	166	-1.8
IN	165	167	1,720	1,710	284	286	0.7
IA	210	216	1,730	1,680	363	363	
KS	110	109	1,670	1,695	184	185	0.5
KY	93	91	1,220	1,180	113	107	-5.3
MI	328	344	1,945	1,910	638	657	3.0
MN	455	463	1,635	1,610	744	745	0.1
MO	115	110	1,300	1,225	150	135	-10.0
NM	357	340	1,690	1,880	603	639	6.0
NY	628	626	1,610	1,650	1,011	1,033	2.2
OH	275	278	1,530	1,530	421	425	1.0
OR	115	115	1,670	1,530	192	176	-8.3
PA	549	552	1,640	1,630	900	900	
TX	347	360	1,780	1,825	618	657	6.3
VT	140	140	1,560	1,570	218	220	0.9
VA	100	98	1,540	1,570	154	154	
WA	235	243	1,930	1,960	454	476	4.8
WI	1,245	1,250	1,630	1,640	2,029	2,050	1.0
23-State Total ³	8,284	8,404	1,726	1,743	14,302	14,648	2.4

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ The 23 States are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.